

NOVEMBER 2016



VIKINGS OF THE SMOKIES

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Fra Presidenten,

It's Torsk Time in Tennessee!!!

There is still time to make your reservation for the annual Torsk & Meatball Dinner on Sunday, November 13th at Seasons Cafe in Turkey Creek. This is a great opportunity to introduce your neighbors to the Vikings of the Smokies.

The dinner begins at 5pm. and tickets are \$20 per person and children under 12 eat free! You must, however, make a reservation in advance - so please contact Lodge Social Director Bonnie Pedersen at bonniepedersen@comcast.net if you would like to attend the dinner. We will also have frozen lefse available for purchase. It is \$6 per package or 2 packages for \$10. We will also be collecting for the USMC Toys for Tots program, so please consider bringing a new, unwrapped toy to the dinner.

As the year comes to a close, we are actively recruiting new lodge officers, as several long serving members are taking a break. The lodge is looking to fill the positions of Vice President, Social Director and Marshal. Please consider serving the Lodge as a board member - if you are interested, contact me at info@tnvikings.org.

Congratulations to our Lodge Secretary Jeannette Lively, who was awarded her "Golden Member" pin, celebrating 50 years as a member of the Sons of Norway. I hope to be able to present many more cultural skills pins to our Lodge members in the coming months.

The Juletefest is scheduled at Messiah Lutheran Church on Sunday, December 11th, beginning at 4pm. We will again have a silent auction - and this year, a portion of the proceeds will benefit Camp Masse Moro, a great opportunity for young adults to learn about their Norwegian heritage.. And as always, there will be great food, yummy traditional holiday baked goods and a visit from the Nisse! If you are able to help with set up or cleanup, please let Bonnie know

Hope to see you all at the Torsk dinner!



Please join the Sons of Norway
for the 8th Annual
Torsk & Meatball Dinner


Seasons Café in Turkey Creek

11605 Parkside Drive, Farragut, TN

Sunday, November 13th
5pm

\$20 Per Person - Children under 12 are Free!

There is limited seating for this event so make your reservation now!
Contact bonniepederson@comcast.net no later than Monday Nov. 7th



Along with meatballs & torsk (Norwegian Cod), served two ways, this all-inclusive buffet (tax & tip included!) will feature buttered potatoes, lefse, green beans, along with an assortment of traditional Scandinavian desserts, and your choice of soda, iced tea or coffee. A selection of beer, wines and other adult beverages will be available for purchase.

**Please make payment (payable to Vikings of the Smokies) and mail to:
Vikings of the Smokies, 104 Dancer Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37830**

Congratulations to Jeannette Lively !



During the October Lodge event, Jeannette was awarded her Golden Member pin, celebrating 50 years as a Sons of Norway Lodge member.

Cultural Director Joan Shrader also presented Jeannette a cultural skills pin for her hardanger needlework.

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE YOUR STAMPS FOR TUBFRIM!



The holidays are coming soon - so please remember to clip and save your postage stamps from your holiday greeting cards! Simply tear or clip canceled stamps from envelopes and drop them in the "stamp jar" on the sign-in table at any VOTS event.

PLEASE LEAVE AT LEAST 1/4" BORDER AROUND STAMP!
Any questions - contact Clark Brekke at cjbrekke@gmail.com



Condolences to Kari McCluer on the passing of her daughter, Lodge member Ellen M. Pearson, on Sunday October 9th.



From the Treasurer

Our net income for the fiscal year-to-date is \$742. This compares to a \$65 loss for the same period last year. The major source of Lodge income (53%) was from the Taste of Scandinavia event, while 20% was from our share of membership dues.

The major expense this year (\$417), was for the biannual District 5 Conference.

Respectively submitted
Trygve Myhre

Camp Masse Moro - Preserving Norwegian Heritage for our Youth!

Camp Masse Moro is a Norwegian Heritage camp specifically created with a focus on sharing the history, arts, and rich culture of Norway with our youth.

While there is a language component to the program, it is not a language immersion camp, but rather a high energy, engaging program for youth ages 9-15 centered around Norwegian culture. The program teaches key Norwegian phrases and vocabulary through songs and language classes twice daily, and highlights traditional Norwegian folk arts, Norse mythology, history, and current events

The camp is located on the [Beaver Creek Nature Reserve](#) in Fall Creek, Wisconsin and has been operating since 1979. For more information, please visit www.massemoro.org.



Once again, the Vikings of the Smokies are participating in the the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program.

Lodge members attending the Torsk Dinner on Sunday, November 13th are asked to consider donating a new, unwrapped toy to be collected at the event. Arrangements may be made for those Lodge members who would like to donate a toy, but are unable to attend the dinner.

Toys for Tots is the Marine Corps's premier community action program and one of the nation's flagship Christmas charitable causes.

The message of hope delivered through a shiny new toy at Christmas has a positive impact on children, their families and their communities. It's not the toy - it's what the toy does.

Please no clothing, stuffed animals, or religious items. Suggestions include age appropriate books, dolls, sporting equipment/bags/balls; backpacks, cosmetics, purses, watch/wallet gift sets, bath gift sets, board games, radio control cars/trucks, hand-held electronics, skateboards/helmets, curling irons, hair straighteners, and hair dryers.

Make plans to attend the annual Sons of Norway

Juletrefest

Sunday, December 11th

Messiah Lutheran Church

6900 Kingston Pike in West Knoxville 4PM – 6PM

Smorgasbord will begin at 4:30 pm

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RSVP

NO LATER THAN MONDAY DEC 7TH

BY CONTACTING BONNIE PEDERSEN BONNIEPEDERSEN@COMCAST.NET

Silent Auction!
Trollkretzen Dancers!
Visit by the Nisse!
St. Lucia Children's Parade!

THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE BRINGING ANY CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN IN ORDER TO NOTIFY THE NISSE. THIS WILL ENSURE ALL "GOOD CHILDREN" RECEIVE A SMALL GIFT BAG DURING THE CELEBRATION THAT IS AGE AND

If your last name begins with the following letter, you are asked to contribute the item below to the smorgasbord (enough to feed at least 6-8 people please!)

A-J: hot dish or vegetable

K-R: cold dish or salad

S-Z: dessert

The Lodge will provide the meat entrée, beverages and bread/rolls!

Cultural Corner with Joan Shrader

READ, WRITE, and EAT

Check the AbeBooks and the Lake Country Books - or ask Google - for used copies of Between Rocks and Hard Places by Ann Urness Gesme. We will begin discussion with chapter one after Christmas under Clark's leadership. 2017 is our year to get smarter.

And get thoughtful. Family history is what we have in common because someplace back there an old Scandinavian left us smiles and strong bodies and good sense. Pick one of those ancestors and tell us the story. Just a paragraph or write a whole book, because we love stories. Your Cultural Director will not let you weasel out of this one.

And third, eat torsk! A long, long time ago in a land far, far away, my parents used to take me on Saturday nights to the Brandt Lake boathouse cafe for torsk supper. The two-inch thick piece of white fish was swimming in butter next to the boiled potatoes. Some old Norskie had set that menu in stone years before menus became trendy, and every fisherman from Madison to Sioux Falls knew where to go to eat torsk. I'll see you at Season's Restaurant on the 13th. It's a cultural skill.

*Lefse: (pronounced "lef suh") A flat tortilla-like treat, with Norwegian roots (as most things are in the upper Midwest), served usually with butter and sugar on top.
Delicious*

Lefse for Sale

There will be a limited amount of lefse available for sale at the Torsk dinner on Sunday, November 13th.

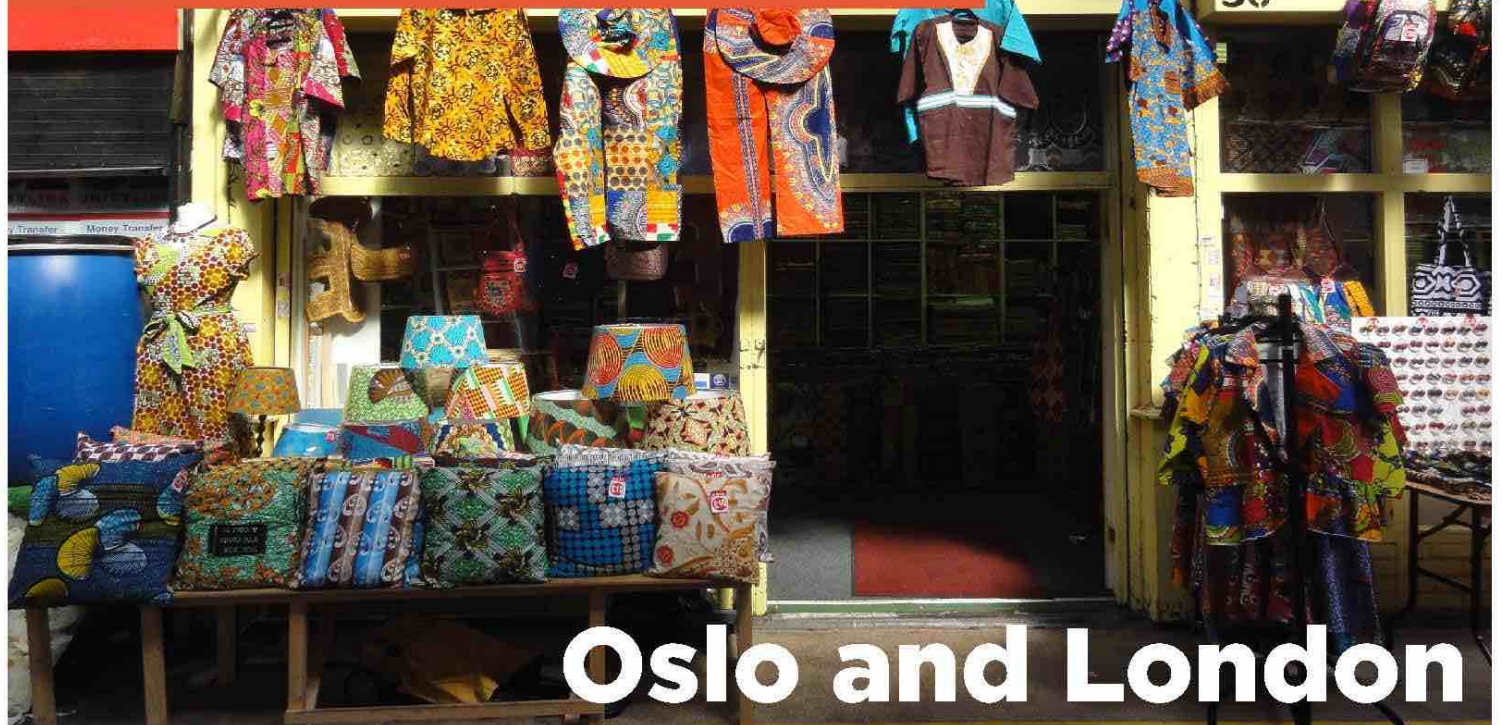
\$6 a bag, or 2 bags for \$10.

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Oslo and London

COST

PROGRAM FEE: \$ 4,125

does not include tuition for 3 credit hours and the study abroad administrative fee

DESCRIPTION

Explore current and historical migration issues in Oslo and London, two global cities that house a large number of immigrants. We will spend extended time in both cities, studying their immigration histories and current migration issues through guided field trips and small field assignments. In Oslo, students will learn about the legacies of the Viking explorations and the more recent migrations of Somalis, Pakistanis, Poles, and Swedes into Oslo. In London, guided tours will explore migrant settlement in three historic neighborhoods, Brixton, Brick Lane, and Kilbury.

REQUIREMENTS

- NO COURSE PREREQUISITES
- GPA REQUIREMENT: 2.0

DETAILS

- **DATES:** Online: June 1—June 6, 2017
Abroad: June 8—July 2, 2017
- **COURSE:** Geography 444
- **CREDIT HOURS:** 3
- **FACULTY MEMBER:**
Dr. Micheline van Riemsdijk
Associate Professor of Geography
E-MAIL: vanriems@utk.edu
- **APPLY ONLINE AT:**
[HTTPS://STUDYABROAD.UTK.EDU](https://studyabroad.utk.edu)
- **DEADLINE** February 1, 2017

MUSIC CITY VIKINGS 2016 JULEFEST CHRISTMAS... SCANDINAVIAN STYLE!

Saturday December 3, 2016

Doors open at 4. Meal Begins at 5pm.

TICKETS: \$10 At Door. RSVP BY 11/26

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- * Scandinavian Entertainment
- * Norwegian Dinner, including Beverages
- * Plus Scandinavian Desserts
- * Bake Sale, Silent Auction and Door Prizes

**RSVP: musiccityvikings@gmail.com
or call/text Matt @ 615.815.9424**

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